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- a DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY document listing the names of each of the inventors, specifically identifying the application by serial number and filing date, and signed by the inventors, Daniel J. McKernan and Gregory R. Whittaker;
- a substitute set of drawings for the application, with appropriate margins in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84;

- (3) a duplicate copy of the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION FILING DATE GRANTED, as requested in the Notice; and
- (4) one (1) check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the surcharge for the late filing of the Declaration, this charge having been calculated on the basis of Large Entity status.

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### NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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- The balance due by applicant is \$65.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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